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The Reply Brief, filed 7 October 2010, has been entered into the record and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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